

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) According to information available with the Overseas Construction Council of India, 2757 labourers were sent abroad by the Construction companies during the year 1993, 1994 and 1995. The bulk of workers go for employment to countries in the Gulf region, namely Bahrain, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, Oman, Qatar and Kuwait etc. Period of employment is given in the employment agreement which is generally two to three years.

(b) and (c). Reports are received from time to time regarding Indian labourers being apprehended for receding abroad illegally. However, in the totality of Indian workers abroad, such illegal residents are in miniscule percentage. Whenever such labourers are found to be working without permit, they are detained in foreign jail and deported. Indian Missions abroad render all necessary assistance to facilitate their repatriation to India.

Air Accidents

1878. SHRI K. PRADHANI : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) the details of the cases of accidents of aircrafts of Air India and Indian Airlines during the course of maintenance in hangers noticed by the Government during the last three years;

(b) the number of employees injured/casualties suffered in such accidents;

(c) the details of the loss to property/equipments in rupees;

(d) whether enquiries were conducted in each case;

(e) if so, the outcome thereof; and

(f) the preventive measures taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM) : (a) to (f). A statement is attached.

STATEMENT

Airlines	No. of accidents (ground incidents) during the last three year	No. of employees injured	Loss of property/ equipment (Rs.)	Whether inquiry conducted	Details of inquiry and action taken
1	2	3	4	5	6
Indian Airlines	3	1	1.00 lakhs (approx.)	Yes	(i) On 15th February, 1994 a boeing 737 Aircraft slipped during jacking, resulting in damage to the fibre glass, the cause was attributed to negligence on the part of the Aircraft Maintenance Engineer, while jacking up the Aircraft. His licence was suspended by the DGCA for one month. (ii) On 15th March, 1994 the fuelage of an Airbus A 300 was hit by a forklift during the process of removal of passenger seats from the cabin resulting in minor dent. None was injured. The foreman involved was cautioned. (iii) On 4th December, 1995 while cleaning the under seat of the wing of an Airbus A 300 aircraft, one helper due to oversight, fell down from the trestler and fractured his hand.
Air India	3	1	0.95 lakhs (approx.)	Yes	(i) On 2nd July, 1994 while the Auxiliary Power Unit (APU) was being installed on Airbus A 300 aircraft the cable swaging gave away due to the failure of the sling cable and the APU fell down. (ii) On 10th January, 1995 while a Boeing 747 aircraft was being used for training Commandos, one of the doors was opened in 'auto mode' by a

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					commando resulting in inadvertent deployment of the aircraft slide. None was injured. Air India has decided to post an engineer inside the cabin during such trainings to avoid similar incidents. (iii) On 28th March, 1996 a Boeing 747 aircraft sustained minor damage to the left hand wing tip fibre glass panel when a trestler hit the panel. Air India issued a circular advising the personnel concerned to ensure the serviceability of ground equipment before using them

[Translation]

Doordarshan Network

1879. SHRI RAMASHRAY PRASAD SINGH :
SHRIMATI SHEELA GAUTAM :

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) the area of Bihar and Uttar Pradesh which have not been covered under Doordarshan network so far.

(b) whether representations have been received from these states to extend the area of telecast, and

(c) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM) : (a) to (c) Whereas satellite derived service of Doordarshan is available throughout the country including the entire States of Bihar and Uttar Pradesh, by using an appropriate dish antenna system, terrestrial transmission is also available, wholly or partially, to all districts of the two States covering an estimated 93.3% area in Bihar and 79.1% in Uttar Pradesh. Representations have been received from time to time from various quarters for extension of TV service to hitherto covered/partly covered areas of these states. With a view to further augment TV service in these states, 16 and 45 transmitter projects of varying power are presently under implementation/envisaged to be set up in Bihar and Uttar Pradesh respectively depending on availability of resources and other infrastructural facilities.

Doordarshan Kendra, Bareilly

1880. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether the facilities of a studio have been started in Doordarshan Kendra at Bareilly, Uttar Pradesh

(b) if so, the details thereof, and

(c) if not, the time by which these are likely to be started.

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM) : (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. A Programme Generation Facility (PGF) has already been commissioned at Bareilly in Uttar Pradesh with effect from 30.6.1995.

(c) Does not arise.

Telecast of Adult Films

1881. SHRI KACHARU BHARU RAUT :
SHRI DATTA MEGHE :

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether broadcast and telecast of adult films and programmes have been banned in the country as reported in the 'Nov Bharat Times' dated July, 4, 1996.

(b) if so, the facts and details thereof.

(c) whether any directions have been issued in this regard to the operators of all the channels.

(d) if so, the details thereof, and

(e) the steps taken to ensure strict compliance of the above directions by all concerned?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM) : (a) and (b) The Chief Metropolitan Magistrate of Delhi in a judgement delivered on 3rd July, 1996 in the case of Shri Vinodanand Jha Vs. State had inter-alia given directions to Doordarshan to discontinue telecast of adult movies. However Doordarshan had already discontinued telecast of adult movies.

(c) and (d). The court has also issued directions to Private TV channels not to exhibit any films and serials meant for entertainment or advertisement unless clearance is obtained from Censor Board for family viewing.